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## UNFORTUNATE HAPPENING

### Young Man Accidentally Shot and Killed.

Last Saturday afternoon as Gordon Edwards and Wallace Harvey, each aged about 17 years, were returning home from a ball game at Skinner, having a rifle with them, they decided to shoot some young rabbits. They were going to the home of Judge H. T. Spurling in the neighborhood. Gordon Edwards' hat blew off and he ran into the line of Harvey's gun just as the latter was ready to shoot. The ball struck Gordon in the back of the head. He lingered a couple of hours when he died.

The boys were fast friends, both splendid young men, and young Harvey is almost prostrated because of the awful happening.

The dead boy was a nephew of Judge Spurling and young Harvey is an adopted son of Mr. Spurling.

The body was taken to Centralia for burial, funeral service and interment Monday afternoon. The mother of young Edwards lives at Moberly.

## CHILDREN'S DAY.

### A Fine Program Given at the Baptist Church.

Children's Day services were held at the Mexico Baptist church last Sunday morning. It was a most enjoyable hour. The little folks were in full command. Eighteen babies dressed in pink and white, in their carriages, accompanied by the intermediate department pupils of the school, moved down the aisle of the church and caught the eye of every visitor. The program as carried out was as follows:

Organ Prelude, "Jubilant Deo," Miss Tralle, organist. Processional hymn, "The Temple Hosanna," Chorus Choir. March of beginners, Primary and Junior Departments. Song, "We Sing Our Father's Praises," chorus choir. Scripture reading and prayer, pastor.

Song, "Hosanna to the King," chorus choir. Class exercise, Lessons from a Penny, Third Year primary girls.

Recitation, "The Power of Little Things," Isabel Hooper. French-Harp Duet, "America," and "Annie Laurie," Theodore and Gibson Winans.

Recitation, "I Didn't Think," Lena Jones.

Recitation, "Mary's Little Lamb," Ruth Gass and Elizabeth Ayscue.

Song, "The World Children for Jesus," Third Year primary girls.

Recitation, "Contentment," Haskell Coker.

Cornet Solo, "A Dream of Paradise," Laddie Fonville.

Class exercise, "Our Flags," five boys.

Song, "Sowing, Growing, Reaping," chorus choir.

Recitation, "Gather the Daisies," four little girls.

Piano solo, "Lovely May," Carl Craighead.

Recitation, "A Dream Composition," Katherine Witherspoon.

Recitation, "Bessie's Trouble With Her Dollie," Sallie John Thompson.

Song, "Story of Love," chorus choir.

Address, "The Missionary Work of the American Baptist Publica-

tion Society," Supt. G. C. Motley. Offering, "Evensong," organist. Song, "On Children's Day," chorus choir. Benediction, pastor.

## MOLINO NEWS.

### Interesting Personal Mention — Those Who Come and Go.

Mrs. R. L. Heizer was in Mexico Wednesday to visit her brother, J. W. Weaver.

Joe Plybon and wife and baby of near Beaver Dam visited Bert Bowen and family Wednesday.

Miss Effie Johnson of Mexico spent Wednesday with the Misses Flynt, and Thursday they with Miss Caroline Wilson visited Miss Florence Heizer.

Arlie Winterhalter of Rush Hill was the guest of O. L. Woods Wednesday night.

B. W. Robinson and family of Bean Creek spent Friday with R. L. Robinson's.

Mrs. Lee Brown and daughters, Misses Blanche and Edna Cauthorn, were the guests of Mrs. R. L. Heizer and daughter, Miss Florence, Friday.

Edgar Martin and family were Sunday guests of Ed. Sharp and wife near Santa Fe.

Emmett Winterhalter and family of near Rush Hill were the guests of J. D. and Herman Worley's Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas Hardin and children visited relatives in Boone county from Saturday till Monday.

R. L. Heizer's family entertained Mrs. J. E. Blum and Mrs. Frankie Byers and Misses Annie Heizer, Amelia Mongler, and Ella, Grace and Agatha Copman of Mexico, for Sunday dinner.

W. H. Robinson and wife of Mexico spent Sunday with R. L. Robinson and wife.

The ladies of Mt. Zion church will give an ice cream supper at Molino on Tuesday night, June 17, for the benefit of the church.

Born, to Clyde Marshall and wife, on Wednesday, June 4th, a daughter, Miss Ruth.

J. E. Lowery and wife and little son of Mexico visited at Molino Sunday.

## MARTINSBURG ITEMS.

Misses Vera and Hazel Friedman and Flora Wilson were in Wellsville Saturday evening.

Miss Flora Wilson is the guest of Miss Hazel Friedman this week.

Mrs. Forrest Covington of Caldwell, went to St. Louis Sunday.

Mrs. A. H. Burchard and children returned to their home in St. Louis Sunday.

Carl Johnson spent Sunday in Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kuhne and Miss Sylvia, Mrs. Anna Walker and Miss Eunice Walker of Wellsville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Burwell.

The Martinsburg ball team played at Vandalia Sunday, but were defeated.

Emil Schaefer of Wellsville is visiting his sister, Mrs. Julius Krieger this week.

C. A. Shirley of Fulton has been visiting his sister, Mrs. S. B. Ham, the past week.

Miss Blanche Brooks is visiting at Clarksville and Bowling Green.

Thurman Stallings and Gendye Morris of Mexico were in town Sunday.

Mrs. Edith Rice of New Florence visited her aunt, Miss Margaret Torreyson, Monday.

E. A. Horton of Kirksville is visiting homefolks here this week.

Mrs. R. E. Race is visiting her parents at Akron, Ohio.

## CHILDREN'S DAY

### WAT HOPEWELL

### Fine Literary Program and a Great Dinner.

Sunday, June 7, was Children's Day at Hopewell Baptist church at Thompson. It was a great day indeed for this church. Hopewell is one of the oldest churches in the county. Fifteen months ago the building was moved from its old site, where it had stood for years, to its present location.

The exercises and decorations Sunday were of the best. At the dinner hour about 700 people sat down to a great feast of good things to eat. Some of the best people in the world live at Thompson; Audrain county hospitality was in evidence on every hand.

At 2:30 the people gathered again for worship and the house was packed with hearers. Rev. S. A. Maxey, the pastor, who lives at New Bloomfield, preached a powerful sermon. His text was from the 6th verse, sixth chapter of Esther. Bro. Maxey is beloved by his congregation.

The Sunday school took a collection. The school is thriving under the superintendency of Mr. Frank Jesse, Jr., a young man of sterling worth and ability.

If we are correctly informed this was the first basket dinner ever served in the village of Thompson.

The program rendered by the children before dinner was as follows:

Postlude, March from "Norma," organist.

Song by Congregation.

Scripture reading by the pastor.

Song by Congregation.

Recitation, This Is Children's Day, Thomas Scott.

Recitation, A Little Child Can Serve Jesus, Barbara Alice Brenton.

Song, Jesus Loves Me, Primary Class.

Recitation, How to Make up, Elizabeth Mae Morgan.

Recitation, Going Visiting, Glenn Roach.

Our Flags, five boys.

Recitation, Little Soldiers, Ryland Pearl.

Recitation, The Last Hymn, Mary Roach.

Making the Summer, six girls.

Recitation, Wave, Little Leaves, Nora Belle Ferguson.

Recitation, Father Love, De Witt Harrelson.

Recitation, Rock of Ages, Lilla Griffin.

Song, by Alice Lee Springer.

Song, We'll Stand by the Bible.

Recitation, A Bird With a Broken Pinion, Ruth Ecton.

Recitation, The Sunbeam, Helen Myers.

Wearing the Garlands, by nine girls.

Recitation, Dear Saviour, Bless the Children, Elsie Scott.

Recitation, Children's Day, Pauline Harrelson.

Pantomime, Jesus Lover of My Soul, Allen Sims.

Recitation, Mattie's Talk, Neville Baker.

Recitation, A Smile, Katie Thompson.

Recitation, The Power of Little Things, Pearl Myers.

The Fountain of Life, an emblematic exercise, by several young ladies.

Collection.

Talk by pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Forbach of this city visited relatives and friends at Auxvasse this week.

## TEACHERS' EXAMS.

### The Trys for County Certificates Last Week.

County Superintendent of Schools J. L. Shobe, assisted by Mrs. Shobe, held examination for teachers' certificates in Mexico last Friday and Saturday. There were 50 persons who took the tests and about 45 out of the 50 were women.

Among those who registered for the examinations were the following: Mary Stallings, Minnie Stallings, Ruth Averitt, Lottie Belle Tucker, Helen Graham, Commilla Garrett, E. E. Shay, Mrs. Eulalia Andrews, Helen McIntyre, Mary Griffin, Bessie Day, Elizabeth O'Brien, Willie Whitson, Dorothy Norris, Ed. C. Offutt, Russell E. Shutt, Mary Cowles, Zola Beal, Blessing Andrews, Lucy Lewis, of Mexico; Mary Murphy, Mabel Kilgore, Mrs. Nellie McKeehan, Thompson; Lena Lawrence, Lizzie Telkemper, Auxvasse; Lola Spencer, Martha Montague, Rowena Brown, Alpha Hoyt, Fern Fuqua, Ruby Webber, Beulah Hagan, Anna Hammett, Iva M. Hummel, Laddonia; Beulah Greer, Rush Hill; Erma McAfee, Dollie McKenzie, Hattie Boyle, Joe McAfee, Effie E. Bryson, Leah Turner, Zelica Turner, Nadine Brooks, Centralia; Bonnie Claypool, Warren E. Lewellen, Vandalia; Mabel Mahan, Columbia; Ethel Smith, Farber; Sallie Crane, Martinsburg; Mary Johnston, Santa Fe; Blanche Slonaker, Estelle Slonaker, Molino.

The degree of Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering was conferred on Carter H. Taylor, of Mexico.

One of the students to receive the degree of Bachelor of Arts was Bennett Clark, who is now Parliamentarian in the National House of Representatives. Mr. Clark completed his studies in the University before his father would permit him to hold the position.

## CUIVRE ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brabant spent Sunday at John Edwards'.

Mrs. James Evely and children returned Saturday after a two weeks' visit at Albany, Mo.

Little Miss Georgia Williams gave a birthday dinner to her little friends, Thursday.

George Braze was sawing wood with his steam saw for several people this last week.

Floyd Lewton and wife spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Knipfel.

Clarence Bales is treating his house to a new coat of paint and building two new cement porches.

Bro. Akers filled his appointment at New Providence church Sunday.

Mrs. Alice Lewton who has been spending the past few weeks with her children, Floyd and Mrs. Tom Braze, went to Mexico Tuesday to be with her daughter, who is sick with heart trouble.

Charlie Braze and George Du-bray attended the dance at Martinsburg Monday night.

J. A. Smith and family spent the day with their daughter, Mrs. James Hall, Sunday.

Joe Force is better at this writing.

Mr. Holloway and family visited at Will Diechman's Sunday afternoon.

F. S. Isgrigg is painting and repairing the Cornett school house this week.

Miss Mattie Montague visited her sister, Mrs. Mary Brown recently.

Mrs. Rufus Pearson of this city visited her daughter in Fulton last week, Mrs. W. T. Lemon.

## MONTGOMERY GOES "DRY"

### The Local Option Law to Be Rigidly Enforced.

Montgomery City, Mo., June 7. —Montgomery county reversed itself in the local-option election today.

In 1905 it went wet by 250 majority. Today it went dry by 263.

Montgomery City went dry by a majority of 60. Middletown, New Florence, Wellsville, Minneola, Bellflower and Danville, the county seat, also went dry.

McKittrick and Rhineland gave large majorities for the licensed saloon.

The dries have given a \$7,500 bond to insure the rigid enforcement of the local option law.

The whole county voted on a unit, as the last census gave Montgomery City less than 2,500 inhabitants.

Women held all-day prayer meetings in the churches, while the men voted.

Keytesville, Mo., June 7. —Chariton county went dry at the local option election here today by a majority of 179. The election was quiet, and a large vote was polled. Prayer meetings were held every hour throughout the day in all the churches. The county went wet a year ago by 99 in an election later held to be illegal.

## AUDRAIN STUDENTS

Win Degrees at the State University.

The State University closed its year's work last week.

A University fellowship was won by Miss Frances Louise Nardin, of Vandalia. Life certificates to teach were awarded to Misses Martha Chinn, Vandalia; Mary Frances Glandon, Mexico; Clara Patience Haggard, Mexico; and I. Capitola Neal, Vandalia.

The Degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred on Misses Julia Collier Chinn, Vandalia, and Mary Frances Glandon, of Mexico. This degree also was conferred on Howard Moore Williamson, of Mexico.

In the School of Education, the degree of Bachelor of Science was conferred on Misses Mary Frances Glandon and Clara Patience Haggard, of Mexico.

The degree of Bachelor of Laws was conferred on Chalmers Irving Henderson, of Molino.

The Vandalia Leader says: F. B. DeTienne was apprised by wire Wednesday that his brother, Ed. DeTienne had died that day at 1 o'clock at Pueblo, Colo. Mr. DeTienne was 28 years old. He leaves a young wife and a daughter, two years old, besides his brothers, F. B. DeTienne, of Vandalia, Dr. Harry DeTienne, of Pueblo, Dr. John DeTienne, of New York City, and three sisters, Mrs. Geo. Saxe and Mrs. Louise Ryan, of Vandalia, and Mrs. F. S. Waterman, of New York City.

Mr. DeTienne left Vandalia for the West 14 years ago, when he was only 14 years old. He had been very successful, and was one of the department managers of the Crews, Beggs, Wholesale and Retail Co.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gwyer of near Benton was playing with an ear of corn a few days ago and playfully put a grain in her nose. A doctor had to be called to relieve the little girl of her suffering for planting corn in such a place.

## SOME INTERVIEWS.

Nelson Matthews: I have a 30 acre field of oats. The drouth got it bad. The rain may give me some heads but there'll be no straw. Plenty of rain and there's time yet for a bumper corn crop.

W. E. Byars: I sold 42 dozen eggs in Mexico Saturday. They brought me about 16 cents per, I have 160 hens and they make me a little money.

J. E. Elder: The mercury went up to 97 Saturday, a week since, and last Saturday there was a great drop, and it got worse till Monday morning, when at six o'clock on my porch it was only 12 above freezing. Yes, I'm carpentering some in Laddonia this summer, but the drouth is making all lines of business dull.

J. Robt. Johnston: I am just home from my studies at the State University. Will be with my father, Everett Johnston, near Santa Fe, thru the summer. Have two more years yet to complete my course in school, but that is not long. Time always goes when a fellow keeps at work.

P. P. Hummel: I used to be a resident of your good town of Mexico. I am glad to get back occasionally. For several years now I have been looking after Uncle Sam's business at the post-office in Laddonia. My sister, Miss Iva M. Hummel, who has been teaching in Ralls county for several years, has resolved to come over into good old Audrain, also, and will have charge of the Cauthorn school next winter.

J. D. Pitt: We had a speech at Farber Sunday by J. Kelly Wright of Columbia, discussing agricultural matters. Prof. J. L. Shobe was present also and made a speech, boosting for the schools of the county. I am sowing 30 acres of cow peas. They'll come all right; drouth can't hurt them much. The cow pea makes good feed and helps the ground besides.

John F. Davis: I have a letter from my aged father, at Caney, Okla., W. A. Davis, well remembered in Mexico. Fine prospect for crops down there if they can get rain soon. Their corn will soon tassel and their potato crop is already made. Father is past 90 years old.

Arthur Lasher: Yes, heard that Montgomery had gone "dry." "Them's my sentiments." Let's get old Audrain on the list next. I think the licensed sale of booze is hurtful to the interests of every taxpayer and property owner in the county. Your splendid young citizen, Paul St. Vrain, and I were former schoolmates.

E. M. Douglass: I'm out in the community south of Benton City. It rained in St. Louis last week and Thursday it was too wet to play ball. That was too bad. I would like to have seen it so wet in my field I couldn't plow. We needed part of that rain up this way.

C. P. Malone: The Good Master allows the birds to migrate south in winter, to dodge the cold, and then back again in the spring, to dodge the heat. What a pity provision was not made for man to do the same thing. But there's no way without you've got a million, more or less.

W. W. Braden: I live down in the Lick Creek country. No opposition down our way to the office of Farm Adviser. Our farmers want a chance to try out any apparent good offer that comes our way. By the way, Mr. Editor, do you know I have a notion that most people are wrong on what it is that causes the high cost of living. It is high interest — usury. Most farmers can't make it on their land investment, while the rate is as high as eight per cent. The government ought to devise a scheme to loan the farmers money at four per cent. Then you would see an impetus given to the back-to-the-farm movement.

## MEXICO BOY'S GREAT FEAT

### Son of W. H. Upham of This City Crosses Black Sea.

Washington, June 6. — The Navy Department received a dispatch yesterday from Lieut. Commander Frank B. Upham, commanding the little steel yacht Scorpion, that caused officials to express surprise. It was a cable from Upham dated at Odessa, Russia, and reported that the Scorpion was anchored at that port on the Black Sea. Mr. Upham is a son of W. H. Upham, of Mexico, Mo.

Nothing like that had ever been heard of in the navy before and the dispatch was handed around from officer to officer and commented on with wonder, for the first time in history of the United States and of Turkey a foreign vessel had passed the Dardanelles and crossed the Black Sea.

The Scorpion has been the embassy station ship at Constantinople for many years. The menace of religious mobs to American missionaries suggested the presence of the vessel and during the recent Balkan War its officers and crew rendered valuable service in the protection of the embassy and Americans in Asia Minor. To have it go up thru the Dardanelles, cross the Black Sea and east anchor at Odessa was a surprise.

With the downfall of the power of Turkey and the capture of the forts they have stood sentry on the Dardanelles for hundreds of years; the world at large is at liberty to go and come and there is no one to say them nay.

Lieutenant Commander Upham paid a call of respect to United States Consul John H. Grout and the historical fact of the presence of an American vessel of war at Odessa on the North coast of the Black Sea was duly celebrated.

Pastor of One Church 47 Years.

Mrs. G. D. Heidbreder of this city has had for her guest her father, Rev. F. A. Umbeck. Last Thursday she accompanied Rev. Umbeck to his home in California, Mo., where on Sunday the 15th a celebration was held in his honor at the German Evangelical church. It was the 50th anniversary of his ministry and the 47th anniversary of his ministry at the California Evangelical church for which he yet continues its pastorate.

Farber Bank Matters.

Farber, Mo., June 10. — The following Farber Bank directors have been elected: J. D. Sutton, M. R. K. Biggs, S. P. Sutton, C. W. Tanner, A. A. Sutton, F. J. Husman, N. H. Sutton. The directors elected M. R. K. Biggs president, J. D. Sutton cashier and C. W. May assistant cashier. A 7 per cent dividend was declared.

Mrs. Pernelia Talbott, wife of Andy Talbott of near Laddonia, died last week. She had been ill a long time. Her pastor, Rev. H. B. Rice, preached the funeral address, burial in Laddonia cemetery. Besides the husband five children mourn her death. The children are: Beulah, Della, Ernest, Joe and Roy. We extend sympathy to the family in their great bereavement.

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SAM LOCKE, Cashier.